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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Katsuhiro AOKI, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/772,371

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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE FORMING CAPABLE OF REDUCING MECHANICAL STRESSES TO DEVELOPERS DURING TRANSPORTATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

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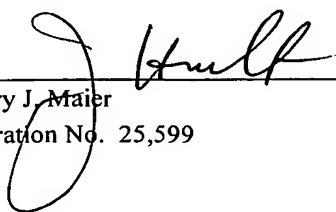
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.